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Attorney General John Ashcroft  
US Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

I do not believe that the case against Microsoft is merited. The antitrust lawsuit was more political than anything else. Microsoft is not guilty of anti-competitive behavior. Given these sentiments, however, I do support the settlement that was reached as it represents resolution for this issue.

The settlement carries with it many terms; under the settlement, Microsoft agrees to disclose the internal interface of Windows. This will allow developers access into the processing of the system. Users will now be able to reconfigure their operating systems to their liking beginning with the interim release of Windows XP. Additionally, Microsoft will level the playing field in the technology market by adhering to a uniform pricing list when licensing out Windows to the twenty largest computer makers in the nation.

Once more, I voice my support for the settlement. The issue is finally resolved. Moving this settlement forward is the best course of action for our nation. Thanks.

Sincerely, *Henry Jones*